MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(60)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

April 24, 2007

FROM:

Murray A. Greenberg

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging

Legislature to require Assisted Living Facilities to have Vital Medical Information available 24 hours a day for Medical Responders

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

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	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
· 	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
·	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 11(A)(60)
Veto		04-24-07
Override		
	RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO PASS LEGISLATION REQUIRING ALL ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES TO HAVE A STANDARDIZED TRANSFER FORM OF VITAL MEDICAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY FOR EMERGENCY RESPONDERS

WHEREAS, Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs) are facilities that are licensed by the state and that provide housing, meals, personal care services, and supportive services to older persons and disabled adults who are unable to live independently; and

WHEREAS, ALFs are intended to be an alternative to nursing homes for individuals who need housing and supportive services, but who do not need 24-hour nursing supervision; and

WHEREAS, under current law ALFs are not required to have available 24 hours a day a standardized form for vital health information; and

WHEREAS, such a standardized form could be important to emergency responders to ALFs,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature to pass legislation requiring all Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs) to have a standardized transfer form of vital medical information available 24 hours a day for emergency responders, including legislation that would grant the Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA) specific rulemaking authority to mandate that all

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ALFs use a formalized transfer form of vital information that must be available 24 hours a day for emergency responders.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit certified copies of the resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, and Chair and members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the issue identified in section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2007 and 2008 state legislative packages.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman

Jose "Pepe" Diaz Carlos A. Gimenez Joe A. Martinez Dorrin D. Rolle Katy Sorenson Sen. Javier D. Souto Audrey M. Edmonson Sally A. Heyman Dennis C. Moss Natacha Seijas Rebeca Sosa

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The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 24th day of April, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:			
	Deputy Clerk		

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

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Jess M. McCarty